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SUBJECT: MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (MNRD)

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1. THE PROVISIONAL MILITARY ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL HAS ESTABLISHED A NEW MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT. ACCORDING TO THE ETHIOPIAN HERALD, THE MINISTRY WILL BE COMPOSED OF THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTS: INDUSTRY, AGRICULTURE, HOTELS AND TOURISM, MINING, SALES, AND SERVICES.

2. A DEFINITIVE STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE NEW MINISTRY HAS NOT BEEN PUBLISHED BUT FROM THE SKETCHY INFORMATION CURRENTLY AVAILABLE IT APPEARS THAT CERTAIN GOVERNMENT AGENCIES ENGAGED IN ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES

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(E.G., DAILY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION) AND MOST PUBLICLY

OWNED ENTERPRISES WILL BE CONSOLIDATED INTO THIS MINISTRY. DECISIONS ON WHICH OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS TO INCLUDE IN THE NEW MINISTRY ARE CURRENTLY BEING MADE. APPARENTLY THE EXTENSIVE SHARE HOLDINGS OF THESE ENTERPRISES HELD BY THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE, INDUSTRY AND TOURISM, THE AGRO-INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BANK AND OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE MNRD. ACCORDING TO ATO TADDESSE MOGESSE, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE, INDUSTRY AND TOURISM, THIS REORGANIZATION WAS UNDERTAKEN TO IMPROVE THE OPERATIONS OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES AND TO RELIEVE THE VARIOUS MINISTERS OF MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THESE ACTIVITIES THEREBY PERMITTING THEM TO FOCUS ON THEIR PRIMARY DUTIES. HE STATED THAT A NEW BOARD, CHAIRED BY THE MINISTER OF MNRD AND COMPRISED OF THE GENERAL MANAGERS OF THE AFFECTED ORGANIZATIONS, WILL DEVELOP POLICY AND ENSURE APPROPRIATE COORDINATION.

3. COMMENT: IF THE FOREGOING PROVES ACCURATE THE NEW MINISTRY WILL BE AN EXTREMELY POWERFUL ONE, ITS INFLUENCE BEING GAINED MOSTLY AT THE EXPENSE OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND THE AIDB. ASSETS WORTH UP TO ROUGHLY ETH\$400 MILLION COULD BE TRANSFERRED TO IT AND IT WILL PROBABLY FALL HEIR TO ANY NEWLY NATIONALIZED ACTIVITIES AND NEW GOVERNMENT-RUN ECONOMIC UNDERTAKINGS. WHETHER IMPROVED MANAGEMENT RESULTS IS ANOTHER MATTER AND WILL BE HEAVILY DEPENDENT ON THE QUALITY OF THE MANAGERIAL STAFF OF THE ENTERPRISES AND THE LATITUDE THEY ARE GIVEN BY THE GOVERNMENT.

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